

**THE MORGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET IN A REGULAR SESSION
ON MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011 AT 9:30 A.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT WERE NORMAN VOYLES, BRIAN GOSS, AND DON ADAMS. BRENDA ADAMS, COUNTY AUDITOR, PETE FOLEY, COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND DEB VERLEY, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, WERE ALSO PRESENT.

NORMAN VOYLES ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER.

NORMAN VOYLES CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER.

APPOINTMENT – *Adams Township Board*

Norman Voyles stated that in 2002, there were three people elected to this board; in 2006, there were two people elected and no one filed for the third seat. In February of 2007, the Board of Commissioners appointed Todd Shupe to fill the position since he had been on the board in 2002. In 2010, two people were elected and no one filed for the third seat. Both Todd Shupe and Jeff Feitz, having been on the 2006 Adams Township Board, are eligible to be appointed. Mr. Voyles talked to Mr. Feitz and he said he would be willing to continue serving if appointed. Brian Goss made a motion to appoint Jeff Feitz to the Adams Township Board. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

MALINOWSKI CONSULTING AGREEMENT

Norman Voyles stated that at the last meeting, the board approved an agreement between Malinowski Consulting and the Morgan County Clerk with the stipulation that this agreement is not a duplication of an agreement that currently exists with the county. It has been determined that they are two separate agreements and do not conflict with each other.

WORK RELEASE PARTICIPANT PACKET

Volitta Fritsche submitted work release application packets for review. Norman Voyles stated that there will need to be an ordinance for the intake fee, supervision fee, and meal fee that are mentioned in the packets. Ms. Fritsche stated that the money for the meals should go into the General Fund. Pete Foley stated that he would review the information and have an ordinance ready at the next meeting, March 21st. Ms. Fritsche stated that the packets contain information on qualifying for work release, the items the inmates will be provided, and the rules the inmates must abide by. There is an additional cost for inmates who reside out of county. There was a discussion on the definition of “out of county.”

DETECTOR PANEL - *Jail*

Dave Rogers, Morgan County Jail Commander, was present to inform the Board that an issue arose regarding the existing fire panel in the existing section of the jail and the new panel in the work release/expansion section of the jail. The panel was replaced approximately a year and a half ago and the goal was to connect the two panels together. The new panel is not compatible with the older one and Siemens recommends taking out the old panel and running everything off the new panel. However, the smoke detectors in the existing section are not compatible with the new panel. The cost to replace the smoke detectors is \$8,187.12. Siemens will issue a credit of \$500 for the old panel and Koorsen will issue a \$1,500 credit for inspection fees for the next year and a half because Siemens will do the annual and semi-annual tests for the next 18 months. If the panels are connected, they will not be able to communicate with each other, both panels will set off alarms, and they will not be able to identify which duct is showing the trouble. Don Adams made a motion to approve the changes for the fire safety system. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

WORK ONE APPOINTMENT

Jeff Pipkin, Morgan County Economic Development, stated that every two years a local elected official must be chosen to serve on the executive council of the Central Indiana Regional Workforce Board. The current Chief Regional Elected Official is John Richwine in Madison County. Norman Voyles stated that according to the information he had, the appointment to the board must be one of the Commissioners or the Mayor. Brian Goss made a motion to appoint Don Adams as the elected official and to appoint Jeff Pipkin as the business representative. Seconded by Norman Voyles. Motion carried 2-0. Don Adams abstained.

Mr. Pipkin stated that they are working on a program to reimburse up to \$13,000 during the training period of a new position. Mr. Pipkin has been setting up meetings in Morgan County and Nice-Pak has signed on for 85 jobs. Mr. Pipkin stated that Workforce has allocated over \$200,000 for them. The Regional Workforce also has a youth committee and they set up a jobs after graduation program at the Mooresville High School. This is a drop-out prevention program to help kids stay in school and get a job after graduation. Mr. Pipkin stated that he would like to have Workforce give a presentation to the Board of Commissioners at a future meeting.

APPOINTMENT – *Harrison Township Fire District*

Don Adams made a motion to reappoint Ed Bosaw to the Harrison Township Fire District. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

APPOINTMENT – Redevelopment Commission

Don Adams stated that the Board has not received a resignation from Curt Freeman although Mr. Adams was under the impression that he did not want to serve another term. This item was tabled until more information could be obtained.

APPOINTMENT – 911 Board

Norman Voyles stated that the Green Township Fire Department representative resigned. The position is to be filled with the Green Township Fire Department chief or the chief's designee. The chief must appoint someone from the department to take that position.

RFP - DISPATCH CENTER

Kenny Hale, Morgan County Planning & Zoning Director, stated that the RFP was sent to the Commissioners, 911 Board, 911 Tech Board, Mooresville Town Board, Martinsville Mayor, and Ross Holloway. Mr. Hale requested permission to advertise for RFPs for the feasibility study. The RFP would be due on March 28, 2011. Mr. Hale stated that he did not want the study to become a paperweight. There will be three detailed options once the study is done. Discussion followed regarding a timeline. Norman Voyles suggested adding Item #4 in Section J. Mr. Hale stated that he would make that change. Don Adams made a motion to approve the RFP pending the addition of Item #4. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

Kenny Hale stated that there will be a firefighter convention in Indianapolis and the county has offered the use of the flood damaged homes it owns for training purposes. Mr. Hale presented a Hold Harmless Agreement between Penn Well and Morgan County. Mr. Hale stated that he has copies of individual agreements from last year, but the county did not have to sign an agreement since they were INDOT houses. Mr. Hale stated that he talked with Morgan County Insurance regarding insurance and discovered that the county is covered for this event. There are five county properties that will be used. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the agreement. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

REZONE ORDINANCE

Kenny Hale stated that this ordinance was approved at the last meeting, but the person requesting the rezoning of property did not have an ordinance prepared and Pete Foley asked that he be able to review the ordinance before it was recorded.

WORD SYSTEMS AGREEMENT

Greg Williams, Morgan County 911 Interim Communications Director, stated that radio and phone calls are recorded through the dispatch center. The equipment that records the calls was installed five years ago and they are now accruing maintenance costs. Word Systems charges \$215.00 per hour for maintenance calls and the dispatch center has spent \$4,000 so far this year. Mr. Williams requested approval of a three-year maintenance agreement for the equipment. The agreement is approximately \$7,000 per year and covers the entire maintenance of the system including repair calls and upgrades but does not cover parts. This agreement would cover all three machines. Norman Voyles asked if the agreement could be paid a year at a time rather than all at once. Mr. Williams stated that he thought it would cost an additional \$1,000 to \$1,500 per year. Mr. Williams stated that the 911 Board has approved the agreement. Don Adams stated that he was not comfortable paying for the three years in advance and would like to see a copy of the annual contract. Mr. Williams stated that he could have that for the next meeting.

LOADER QUOTES

Brian Goss stated that there was a miscommunication with the Highway Department and the request for bids will not be ready until April.

DRIVEWAY PERMIT ORDINANCE - AMENDMENT

Norman Voyles stated that currently, the Highway Department inspects and approves the locations for driveway permits and the fee is collected by the Planning Commission. According to statute, the fee must go into the General Fund and the Highway Department does not receive any reimbursement for the inspections. Mr. Voyles proposed raising the fee for the residential application from \$25.00 to \$50.00 and the commercial from \$100.00 to \$150.00. Mr. Voyles stated that it would be appropriate for the Highway Department to request a quarterly additional appropriation into the MVH Fund to cover the costs for the inspections. Don Adams made a motion change the fee as suggested. Seconded by Brian Goss. Pete Foley stated that he was not sure that an additional appropriation could be put into the MVH Fund and it might have to go into a different fund. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the February 7, and February 21, 2011 minutes. Seconded by Don Adams. Mr. Adams noted that the minutes are now on line on the website. Pete Foley stated that only the approved minutes will be online. Motion carried 3-0.

REQUEST TO USE COURTHOUSE SQUARE

Greg Marlett, president of the Morgan County Farmer’s Market, requested the use of the Courthouse Square for the Farmer’s Market every Saturday starting April 30th through October 1st from 9 am to 1 pm. Mr. Marlett stated that they are trying to be self-sustaining and are not asking for any tax dollars. The use of the Courthouse helps to keep the costs down. Don Adams made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

Rediscover Martinsville and Southern Indiana Racing Association asked for the use of the parking lots at the Administration Building and Courthouse on May 21st and 22nd for an auto race that will be hosted in downtown Martinsville. They also asked for use of the grass lots on Mulberry Street. Brian Goss made a motion to approve the request, but the use of the grass lots would be dependent upon the weather. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0. Norman Voyles noted that there have been some advertisements for other events on the square, but no one has requested permission.

TORT CLAIM / INCIDENT CLAIM

Don Adams made a motion to submit the Holden incident claim and Bannister tort claim to the insurance company. Seconded by Brian Goss. Motion carried 3-0.

CLAIMS

Brian Goss made a motion to approve the monthly claims totaling \$1,350,947.99. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

HIGHWAY UPDATE

Jimmy Waggoner, Acting Highway Superintendent, stated that they have been working on damages from flooding, and unplugging pipes. The winter took a toll on the roads and it will take every dollar available from the paving funds just for repairs. Mr. Waggoner stated that if they could find some extra funds someplace, it would really help out the roads.

ENGINEER UPDATE

Larry Smith, Morgan County Highway Engineer, stated that there is a state call for bridge projects and the county is eligible to submit one project. Possible selections are bridges on Peavine Road and Bridge #224 on Jordan Road. The bridge books will be out Tuesday and he would like to review the books before making a selection for a project. Bridge #57 on Blue Bluff will be closed for repairs the 15th of March through the end of July.

WAVERLY GRANT

Kenny Hale stated that FEMA awarded the Old Town of Waverly grant last Monday in the amount of \$1,730,988.00. The CDBG state and local agreement was already signed for the match for \$400,000.00. The grant was originally \$4.4 million, but he divided it into two grants. There will be a public hearing on March 14th. The grant will be used to purchase 27 homes in downtown Waverly and six alternates. The other grant will be used to purchase 11 or 12 additional properties in Waverly. The properties are in the flood plain and will be removed. The area will be used for a potential park.

ADJOURNMENT

Brian Goss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Don Adams. Motion carried 3-0.

Morgan County Board of Commissioners

Norman Voyles

Brian Goss

Don Adams

Attest:

Brenda Adams, Morgan Co. Auditor